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In re Application of:

de Baetselier et al.

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Sir:

On December 27, 2005, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) mailed a Notice of Allowability in the referenced case. The Notice of Allowability was not accompanied by the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and the Part B Transmittal which is to be returned to the USPTO with the issue fee payment.

Applicants initiated a telephone conference with the USPTO and were informed that the proper documents would be generated and provided. It has been almost a month since that telephone conference and applicants have not yet received the requested Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due documents.

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Applicants are anxious to pay the issue fee and receive a patent. Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance be generated and transmitted to Applicants expeditiously.

Respectfully submitted,

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